

REMARKS

Claims 93-110 are currently pending in the instant application.

The Specification has been amended, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.78, to insert an a Cross-Reference to Related Applications section based upon a priority claim under 35 U.S.C. §120. The Title of the Invention has been replaced. It is submitted that the amendments to the Specification made herein introduce no new matter. New paragraphs and Section Headings have been added in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121(b)(1)(i) & (iii), and paragraph deletions indicated in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121(b)(1)(i) & (iv). Entry of the amendments to the Specification made herein are therefore proper and respectfully requested.

Original claims 1-92 have been canceled and replaced with new claims 93-110. Applicants respectfully submit that the scope of new claims 93-110 generally corresponds to the scope of original claims 11-27 and 48, and that new claims 93-110 are no narrower than the original claims. Original claims 1-92 were the subject of a Restriction Requirement in the grand-parent application. The Examiner in the grand-parent application required election of one group of claims from among several groups. Ultimately, in the grand-parent application, applicants chose to pursue claims directed to food additives, *per se*. Subsequently, another group consisting of several claims directed to various processes for preparing esters were prosecuted in the parent divisional application. In the instant application, the various non-consecutive claims of the grand-parent application directed to food additive compositions comprising the claimed ingredients have been presented herein as consecutively numbered, new claims 93-110. Support for claims 93-110 can be found in the Specification and in original claims 11-27 and 48. No new matter has been introduced. A complete listing of all claims ever presented is included herein in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c). Entry is therefore proper and respectfully requested.

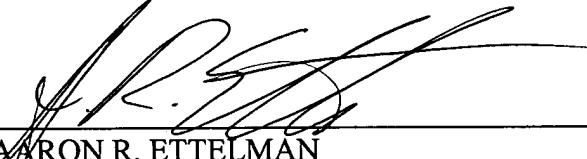
Prompt examination of the instant application in view of the amendments made herein is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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